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5. Prior to late 1954, a Polish headquarters or some other military office was located in the former German financial office at the crossing of ul. Kosciuszki (northern part of Moltkestrasse) and ul. Stalinog zka (western section of Kattowitzerstrasse). Sentries wearing red service color were seen in front of the building. Many officers were seen at the meadquarters but no general was identified. Vehicular that included numerous jeeps. A Polish officers club was installed in the building just north of the former German Bandwartskammer. A guard house was located east of ul. Stalinogrodzka. The occupation of the komendatura was not known.

The large multiple-story buildings had been built for Polish officer amilies west of the Oder River at the former Breslauer Platz (Plac Focha).

- 6. During 1954, individual Soviet military persons whose activity and billets were not known were seen in ul. Ozimska (Malapaner-strasse). Frior to late 1954, no Polish KBW units were stationed at Oppeln.
- 7. The location of the summer camps was not known. In spring, the units left their quarters by road in the direction of Turewa (P 51/S 92). In autumn, they returned through the ul. Nysa Luzycka. No units with horse-drawn vehicles were observed.
- 8. For about two years, no blue-gray uniforms such as those formerly worn by Polish armored personnel, were seen in Oppeln. All soldiers wore clive-drab uniforms with long trousers, laced shoes, buckled leggings, and red cap-ribbons. The soldiers were disciplined and had a good reputation with the local residents. Since the Soviet units had left Oppeln, no essential change in the occupation had been observed. 1

Comment. All information reported from Oppeln is known.

All installations mentioned in the report are occupied by large units of the 10th Mecz Div. The individual units of this division could not be identified. Other reports confirm that apparently olive-drab uniforms instead of the old blue-gray uniforms have been introduced with armored and mechanized personnel. The color of the cap ribbon has not yet been identified. It is possible, however, that the old blue-gray uniforms are still worn.

2. Comment. According to this and to other reports, the headquarters of the 10th Mecs Div is located in the former German financial office.

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